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SUBJECT: US GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN KENYA

1. THIS TELEGRAM TRANSMITS A STATEMENT OF US FOREIGN
POLICY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN KENYA. A SEPARATE
MESSAGE WILL PROVIDE EXPLANATORY INFORMATION ON THE
PURPOSE, IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW OF THESE STATEMENTS.

2. BEGIN TEXT.

I. MAINTENANCE OF A STABLE KENYA HOSPITABLE TO US
INTERESTS AND PRESENCE.

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-- INSURE THAT PLANNED AND DELIVERED US DEVELOPMENT ASSIST-
ANCE IS WITHIN KENYAN CAPACITY TO ABSORB SUCH
ASSISTANCE.

-- INSURE SMOOTH IMPLEMENTATION OF US ASSISTANCE TO
KENYA'S DEFENSE MODERNIZATION/UPGRADING PROGRAM, AND
APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION OF ANY FURTHER KENYAN REQUESTS.

-- MAINTAIN CONTACTS WITH THE PRINCIPAL CONTENDERS FOR THE SUCCESSION TO PRESIDENT KENYATTA, WHILE AVOIDING BECOMING

IDENTIFIED AS SUPPORTING ANY ONE FACTION.

-- EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR KE;YA'S RECORD OF SUCCESSFUL NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ON THE BASIS OF A MARKET ECONOMY.

-- QUIETLY EXPRESS OUR CONCERNS OVER DESTABILIZING POTENTIAL IN GAP BETWEEN HAVES AND HAVE NOTS AND ENCOURAGE GOVERNMENT TO EXPRESSLY DEVELOP PROGRAMS FOR MEETING NEEDS IN THIS AREA.

-- AS APPROPRIATE, ENCOURAGE CONTINUED RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND FURTHER PROGRESS IN THIS FIELD.

II. CONTINUATION OF U.S. MILITARY ACCESS TO KENYA'S PORTS AND AIRFIELDS.

-- INSURE THAT THE VISIT PROGRAM IS WELL COORDINATED WITH THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT, INVOLVING COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES WITH THE KENYAN MILITARY WHERE APPROPRIATE, AND THAT THE CURRENT HOSPITABLE ATMOSPHERE FOR THE VISITS IS MAINTAINED.

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-- MINIMIZE ACTIONS WHICH WOULD CLEARLY ENCOURAGE EITHER NEIGHBORING STATES OR THE KENYANS TO INTERPRET THE VISIT PROGRAM -- OR OTHER ASPECTS OF OUR RELATIONSHIP -- AS REFLECTING A DIRECT US SECURITY COMMITMENT TO KENYA.

III. A SUPPORTIVE KENYAN ATTITUDE ON FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES, INCLUDING MULTILATERAL QUESTIONS.

-- INSURE KENYAN UNDERSTANDING OF US POLICY OBJECTIVES AND ACTIONS WITH REGARD TO AFRICAN ISSUES (PARTICULARLY THE HORN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA) AND US AWARENESS OF KENYAN INTERESTS AND PERSPECTIVES.

-- ENCOURAGE AS APPROPRIATE, STEPS BY KENYAN GOVERNMENT TO PREVENT INVOLVEMENT IN ARMED CONFLICT IN THE HORN.

-- WORK CLOSELY WITH KENYA ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO KENYA SUCH AS LOS, COFFEE AND THE ENVIRONMENT. END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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